

ANTI-SALOONS.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION AGAINST LIQUOR-TRAFFIC.

SENATOR WINDOM Outlines the Objects of the Movement--A Western Adoption of a National Committee Appointed.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

CINCINNATI, September 16.—The first National Convention of Anti-Saloon Republicans began its session in this city to-day. The convention was held in the Baldwin-Theatre. When called to order there were about 300 delegates on the floor. A few ladies and gentlemen were in the gallery. Senator Blau, of New Hampshire, was made temporary chairman. On taking the chair Mr. Blair said: "We are here for the destruction of rum traffic throughout this country and throughout the world. I think I speak the sentiment of the convention when I say that as between free rum and low liquor we are in favor of high license spirituous, that as between high license and prohibition, we are in favor of prohibition." Great cheering.

Mr. Blair went on to say that they also met as Republicans; they were in the party and could not be driven out, and he was one of those who believed that it was only through the Republican party that the suppression of the liquor traffic could be secured.

The Committee on Credentials found 187 accredited delegates present as follows: Illinois, 40; Iowa, 20; Indiana, 30; Indiana, 12; Maine, 10; Vermont, 9; New York, 6; Rhode Island, 5; Michigan, 5; Wisconsin, 11; Massachusetts, 12; New Hampshire, 1; Minnesota, 10; Texas, 2; Dakota, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; Ohio, 1; New Jersey, 1; New Hampshire, 2.

The Committee on Permanent Organization reported the name of ex-senator William Windom, of Minnesota, permanent chairman. He was unanimously elected. The secretaries pro tem., were elected as permanent officers. Vice-presidents were named, one for each State.

Ex-Senator Windom was enthusiastically cheered as he was exonerated from the chair. He said: "There are possibly other gentlemen present who could state better than I can the precise purposes of the convention. We are here under the flag of true and loyal Republicans, coming through that party to accomplish what we believe will be a great good for the American people. For myself I never had the slightest thought of attempting to organize a new political party. I think that such a thought does not enter the minds of any other delegates here present. The party that freed the slaves, that dignified human labor, that enacted homestead laws, that suppressed the great rebellion, that dedicated in honor, peace, and advanced it to the front rank of the nations of the earth, is good enough for me now."

The speaker then recited the record of the party for twenty years showed its willingness to grapple the new law and carry it to victory. The issue was as grave as any that the Republicans had had to meet in the past. It resolved itself into the question whether the saloon was to dominate the politics of the nation. "We do not mean to dictate to the Republican party," said the speaker.

"We are here simply for consultation. We want to encourage the party to take hold of the question, which it surely will have to do, and the sooner the better."

The speaker said he would look at the question solely from a political standpoint and not from the moral standpoint. The saloon was in politics with its assessments and money. It was the open ally of anarchy. It today controlled the politics of every large city. It selects your members, and the speaker, in Minnesota the Democratic party has nominated for Governor "the very incarnation of the saloon." He then spoke for thirty minutes on the general issues. He touched on Prohibitionism, and said it was his view that they could carry out their purposes in a better way. In following the lead of the Republican party they would find that the party had said that slavery should extend no further, and on that platform slavery was absolutely abolished. If the Republican party would decline for high-pressure local option, and recognize the right of the people to vote on the question directly when they wished to do so, all fears of anarchy should follow that lead.

The Committee on Resolutions reported the following:

The Anti-Saloon Republicans, by their representatives in national conference assembled, do declare as follows:

First. That the liquor traffic, as it exists to-day in the United States, is an enemy of society, a fruitful source of corruption in politics, as well as of wealth, a school of crime, and with its avowed purpose of seeking to corrupt control elections and legislation, is a menace to the public welfare, and deserves the condemnation of all good men.

Second. That we declare war against the saloons, and hold it to be the supreme duty of the Government to adopt such measures as shall restrain and control its influence, and at the earliest possible moment extinguish it altogether.

Third. We believe the National Government should absolutely prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in the District of Columbia and in all the Territories of the United States.

Fourth. We believe the best practical method of dealing with the liquor traffic in the several States is to let the people decide whether it shall be prohibited by the submission of constitutional amendments, and, until such amendments are adopted, by the passage of local-option laws.

Fifth and Sixth. That the Republican party, whenever and wherever in power, will faithfully enforce whatever ordinances, statutes, or constitutional amendments may be enacted for the restriction or suppression of the liquor traffic.

Seventh. That we approve the action of Congress and of those States that have done so in providing for teaching the physiological effects of intoxicants in our public schools, and that we earnestly recommend to every State legislature the enactment of such laws as shall provide for the thorough teaching of such effects to our children.

Eighth. We demand that the Republican party, to whom we belong and whose welfare we cherish, shall take a firm and decided stand as the friend of home and the enemy of the saloon.

In favor of this policy and these measures, we pledge ourselves to do our utmost to cause the party to take such a stand, and we call upon all temperance men and all friends of humanity, of whatever party or name, to join us in securing these objects and in support of the Republican party so far as it shall adopt them.

The following National Committee was appointed—some existing associations to be filled hereafter: Maine, Senator Paul B. Brown; New Hampshire, Senator Henry W. Blair; Vermont, George A. Brewster; Massachusetts, Col.

and E. H. Bassett; Rhode Island,

CYCLONE IN WEST.

SEVERAL WESTERN STATES VISITED BY A TERRIFIC STORM.

Portions of Indiana, Michigan, and Illinois swept—Much Damage Done, but Little Loss of Life.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

INDIANAPOLIS, September 16.—A dispatch from Terre Haute says: At 11:30 o'clock to-day a cyclone struck the city, coming from the southwest. For fifteen minutes the wind blew a hurricane, filling the air with missiles. The storm was confined to the central portion of the city. Numerous large buildings were destroyed, and the rain which followed did great damage. A careful estimate places the loss at \$65,000. The roof on the Masonic Hall was blown off, and the water runned in the lower stories. The windows were shattered, and the water ran down the walls. It appears to be regarded as caused by an earthquake. There has not been a shock in some days worth reporting.

The Relief Committee has issued over a thousand forms of application for assistance in rebuilding or repairing houses. Attention has recently been directed to the character of the major road, consisting largely of yellow sand, and the City Council will probably take action on the subject to prevent any "Buddinak" disasters in the hurry of rebuilding.

Ex-Senator Simon Cameron, in a letter covering \$1,000 into the relief fund, says: "I always associate your city with my recollections of your great statesman, Mr. Calhoun, who occupied so commanding a position in the Senate and before the country. At my first entrance upon public life, more than forty years ago, he received me in the Senate with the greatest of kindness, and, during the remainder of his life, I was permitted not only to show, with others, the admiration of his singular simplicity, elevation, and dignity of character, but also to experience almost daily some proof of his personal consideration and regard. It naturally gives me pleasure, therefore, to associate my recollections of him with this contribution towards the relief of the citizens of the State he loved so well."

The fund for relief now amounts to \$60,000.

CHICAGO, September 16.—A violent wind-storm struck Milwaukee, Fond du Lac county, in this State, but did no damage beyond mounding a number of houses and uprooting shade-trees.

DENVER, Sept. 16.—A storm this afternoon extended over most of Southeastern Michigan, being especially severe at Howell, where one man was killed and much property damaged. Reports are to the effect that a large part of the town has been destroyed, but the wires are down and full particulars have not been received.

CHICAGO, September 16.—A terrible wind and rain-storm which passed over Indianapolis this afternoon proved disastrous west of Indianapolis and throughout a large section of Illinois. The town of Menomona, Ill., is reported to have been partially destroyed, and a number of houses are said to have been lost. The report of the disaster has not been verified, and it is impossible yet to get authentic news.

CHICAGO, September 16.—The contribution of the citizens of Montgomery, amounting to \$1,100, was today forwarded to Charleston. A sum aggregating several hundred more has been sent previously to the churches.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 16.—(By telegram to the Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, September 16.—First train at Sheepshead Bay—one mile beyond Brooklyn was Blue Wing second, Samson third, Tina, 14th.

Second race—one and a quarter miles—Glenwood won; Barnum second, Head-and-Tee third. Total, 2:12.

Third race—for two-year-olds, seven furlongs—Desire won; Vesta, 14th, second, Gertrude third. Time, 1:42.

Birds, with Fuller up, and Barnum with Rafferty up, both fell. The boys were injured.

Fourth race—one and a half—a mile—the won: The Bourne second, Tex Bourke third. Time, 2:05.

Fifth race—one and one eighth miles—Little Minnie won; Supreme second, Tina, third. Time, 1:55.

Sixth race—one and three-quarters miles on the turf—Tatler won; Elmwood, Birdie, second, Ernest third. Time, 2:00.

THREE-HORNED PLATE DISASTER.

THE RESPONSIBILITY Fixed on a Contractor and Engineer.

(By telegram to the Dispatch.)

BIRMINGHAM, N. Y., September 16.—The list of killed in the Nickel-Plate collision, which was further swelled to nineteen by the finding of three more bodies, mangled beyond recognition, is now supposed to be complete.

The responsibility for the disaster has been settled as nearly as possible pending a full investigation. Engineer Brewer has not yet been found, but a letter from him, addressed to the editor, appeared in this morning's *Express*. The letter has no date, and the postmark on the envelope was that used by the clerk on the Lake-Shore train. It is to be said—Last time it is reported I am away for fear the blame would be put on me for that terrible accident at Silver Creek, I have not run away, nor do I intend to, but in jumping from my engine I hurt my back and hip, and as I was unable to assist, I left the wreck. But in regard to my stopping at Silver Creek, I did not stop and took on passengers. I had orders to meet the mail at Silver Creek. There is no side-track there, and never having had orders before to pass a train there, I presumed, the conductor having given me the signal to go ahead, which I should not have done, as he had the same orders that I had, and when he was meeting the train he should have used his own authority or the hand-bell or automatic brake and has occasionally written privileges, but it is understood, always with his father's advice.

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